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COMMISSION MEETING
MARCH 6, 2019
CENTRALIZED HIRING CONFERENCE ROOM
6774-C REISTERSTOWN ROAD
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND 21215

## MINUTES OPEN SESSION

**Attendees:** 

Chairman Blumberg; Commissioners Begosh, Cluster, Greene, Hill, Keckler, and Smack; Program Managers Christine Burke and Ruth Ogle; Assistant Attorney

General Susan Baron

Absent:

Commissioners DeBoy, Miller and Reynolds

Chairman Blumberg convened the meeting at 9:40 a.m.

- ➤ The Commission did not meet on Wednesday February 20, 2019 because state offices were closed due to inclement weather.
- ➤ The minutes from the February 6, 2019 open session were reviewed and approved as submitted.
- > The Commission is hosting the Association of Paroling Authorities International (APAI) annual training conference at the Hyatt Regency Baltimore March 31-April 3, 2019. Governor Robert Ehrlich is scheduled to address the conference. There will be an awards banquet, many workshops as well as a tour of Marian House. A full schedule of events and activities can be found on the APAI website.
- > Chairman Blumberg distributed to the commissioners copies of *Building on the Unger Experience: A cost-benefit analysis of releasing aging prisoners*. The report was prepared by the JFA Institute and the Pandit Group for Open Society Institute Baltimore.
- ➤ Office appointments for family members and attorneys conducted on Tuesday mornings are scheduled in 30 minutes increments. Commissioners should try to stick as closely as possible to the schedule. Additional information that needs to be conveyed to the Commission may be submitted in writing.
- > At 10:20 a.m. under General Provisions Art. § 3-305 Chairman Blumberg made a motion to end the open session and go into a closed session to discuss personnel matters, review cases en-banc and to consult with legal counsel. A vote was taken and all commissioners were in favor. The meeting will reconvene in the Parole Commission's conference room.

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